fitability increased from Rs. 2030.46 crores in 1987-88 to Rs. 2980.90 crores in 1988-89. The profitability of non-MOU companies increased from Rs. 38.68 crores in 1987-88 to Rs. 500.35 crores in 1988-89.

(d) No case has been brought to the notice of the Deptt. of Public Enterprises recently.

Induction of military aircraft into IAF without weapon system

2245. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CAG in his recent report has blamed the Ministry of Defence for inducting a military aircraft into the IAF without deciding the kind of weapon systems required for the purpose;

(b) what was the actual date of contract and exact-date of supply of aircraft to the Ministry and price escalation due to delayed supply; and

(c) whether Government propose to set up a Committee of Experts to go into full details before entering sensitive Defence weapons which involve security of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main contract for procurement of the military aircraft was signed on 15th Oct., 1982 and a subsequent contract for additional number was concluded on 6th March, 1986. The deliveries under main contract were made during December, 1984 to May, 1986 while the additional aircraft were received during April, 1987 to September, 1988. Under the provisions of the contract, no price escalation was payable due to delayed supply.

(c) No, Sir. There is no such proposal.

Appointment of a Panel on Education

2246. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any panel on Education has been appointed by Government;

(b) if so, who are the members of the panel;

(c) what were the criteria for selection of persons;

(d) what are the terms of this panel; and

(e) by when it is expected to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (d) and (e) A copy of the Government Resolution, which contains therequisite information is attached (*See below*)

(c) Members of the panel were selected based on their expertise in different areas of Education.